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## Vanguard first to receive new items

Pvt. Dan Balda  
Staff Writer

4th Brigade Soldiers will be among the first to receive the new gear as part of the rapid field initiative gear from Sept. 7 to Sept. 13 at Wright Army Airfield.

Soldiers will have their old kevlar helmets replaced with the advanced combat helmet. The ACH is 3.5 lbs lighter than the old model and is cushioned on the inside, which sits more comfortably on a Soldiers' head. It also has a different suspension system inside which allows a Soldier to fight more effectively when wearing body armor. Soldiers will also receive Wiley X goggles to act as sunglasses and eye protectors from shrapnel.

Another part of the mission essential equipment are new moisture wicking undershirts and socks.

The RFI began during Operation Enduring Freedom when several units including the 82nd Airborne Division, 10th Mountain Div. and the 101st Airborne Div. were all successfully outfitted with the new gear. Issuing to 3rd Infantry Division units should be complete by the end of Oct. 2004.

Program executive officers visited units in Afghanistan and after they redeployed, they conducted surveys to find out what Soldiers were buying for themselves. These items were needed in combat but not issued or Soldiers went without because of monetary constraints.

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Spc. Robert Adams

An Iraqi role player speaks in Arabic to a translator explaining his situation during a B Btry., 1/76 FA convoy escort mission Aug. 22.

## Patriots prepare for real deal

Spc. Robert Adams  
Staff Writer

1st Battalion, 76th Field Artillery has been successful in making its training as real as possible for Soldiers during the 4th Brigade Marne Focus at Camp Oliver from Aug. 16 through Sept. 2.

Soldiers have been performing individual, squad, platoon, and battery level infantry task training in which they conduct numerous missions and are confronted with many difficult situations.

Translators, Iraqi civilians, an opposing force and embedded media have been some of the few added entities that have made the training more life-like for the battalion.

There are four phases that the battalion is using to train its Soldiers during Marne Focus.

The first phase focused on individual Soldier tasks which included a weapons qualification at small arms gunnery ranges where they fired thousands of rounds, said Capt. Ric Francis, A Btry., 1/76 FA commander.

Then Soldiers performed buddy team live fires, convoy live fires and reflexive fires.

During the second phase Soldiers learned and performed around 35 individual and small group tasks.

"The classes were a mix of how to interact with the local population, how to deal with the population when there are conflicts, riots or disturbances and training for potential threats from Iraqi forces including ambushes and mortar attacks," said Lt.

Col. Pinnell, 1/76 FA commander.

Soldiers are also receiving basic Arabic language training from interpreters. The interpreters are also teaching them about the Iraqi people and are giving them cultural tips.

During phase three Soldiers performed larger, situational training exercises at the platoon and battery level on day and night lanes. These lanes consisted of convoy escorts, cordon and searches, and riot control missions.

When the battery receives an operation order for a mission, they conduct troop leading procedures, make checks on vehicles and equipment and rehearse the mission before departure.

"During the movement the convoy will be presented with various threats and disruptions including public disturbances, riots, and IED attacks," Pinnell said. "This is their first exposure to the complexity of insurgency warfare, and they are

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## Stewart, Hunter at HURCON 4

Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield officials are monitoring the path of Hurricane Frances and are taking prudent measures to ensure the safety of Soldiers, families and civilian workers. All services remain open for business, and are scheduled to be open Thursday.

For more information about hurricanes, see insert in Aug. 26 issue of The Frontline or visit [www.stewart.army.mil](http://www.stewart.army.mil).



Master Sgt. Gregory Kaufman

Maj. Gen. William G. Webster Jr., 3rd Inf. Div. commander, fills out a voter registration card after speaking on the importance of voting.

## Voters Week to begin Fri.

Compiled by Spc. Emily J. Wilsoncroft  
Staff Writer

The Department of Defense announced plans for Armed Forces Voters Week, which begins Friday.

This event is being held to encourage all citizens voting under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, who have not registered to vote or requested an absentee ballot this year, to do so as soon as possible.

"We must do so if we're going to have a say in this election and the people who call the shots about what orders we get to fight and defend this United States of America," said Maj. Gen. William G. Webster Jr., 3rd Infantry Division commanding general. "We're the very men and women prepared to give our lives, if necessary, to defend this right to vote, along with our other

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High 89° Low 71°

SAT

High 84° Low 74°

SUN

High 83° Low 75°

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# Calvary troops work as team to sharpen skills



Photos by Pfc. Ben Brody

B Troop, 6/8 Cav. Soldiers attempt to control belligerent role players in a training scenario Aug. 24. Some of the role players are Iraqi contractors.



B Troop commander Capt. Shannon Hume reacts to sniper fire.

## Scouts recon, negotiate way to success

**Pfc. Ben Brody**  
Associate Editor

Using a mixture of stealth and savvy, B Troop, 6th Squadron, 8th Cavalry Regiment successfully completed an intensive two-week field training exercise last month in preparation for the unit's deployment to Iraq.

"We go into these 'towns' in the woods, and a lot of times the people there will be hostile, flipping us off and shouting," said Capt. Shannon Hume, B Troop commander. "If by the time we leave, they are friendly and waving, we've accomplished an important part of our mission — winning hearts and minds."

The training is realistic preparation for 3rd Infantry Division's deployment to Operation Iraqi Freedom 3, Hume said, an OIF 1 veteran.

The cavalry squadron, activated this summer, is new to the division and is relatively small so far.

But what they lack in size, they make up for with agility and stealth. Just ask any opposing force role player they outfoxed.

"We waded through a swamp to get in a good sniper position on the town when we saw two OPFOR snipers setting up in the distance," said Sgt. Tom Menten, B Troop sniper. "We stalked them in ghillie suits to about 75 meters and counter-sniped them. They were taken totally by surprise."

The squadron is organized to take on a reconnaissance role, with many of its Soldiers coming from the former 2nd Brigade Reconnaissance Team.

"We've been setting up observation points, and learning about targets in the 'towns' here," Hume said.

"We also talk to villagers and maintain good relations so they provide us with information about enemy activity as well," he added.

B Troop is a light troop, meaning they primarily use humvees for transportation, but Aug. 25 they took to the skies.

Responding to a report of civilians moving toward a downed helicopter and an injured pilot, B Troop loaded into three UH-60 Blackhawks and raced to the fictional crash site.

The troop bounded toward the injured pilot and delivered medical aid as others pushed back curious locals and secured the area.

Once the ground was secure, the helicopters returned to evacuate the downed pilot, then again to pick up the Soldiers of B Troop.

The troop typically conducted three training missions a day, which take around 18 hours to complete and review.

"America puts a lot of confidence in its Army, and invests a lot of money," Hume said after a long day of hard training. "Today America has gotten, and will continue to get, a solid return on their investment."

Even after two weeks in the field, 6/8 will not be taking a break from training.

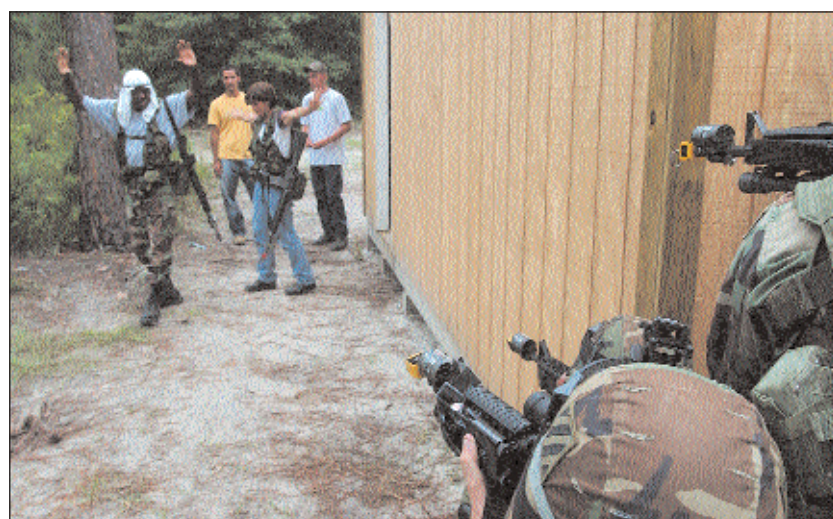
"We've got everyone at a high level of proficiency right now, and we're going to maintain that proficiency by continuing to train hard," said Lt. Col. Michael Harris, 6/8 commander. "Every week we're doing reflexive fire ranges and we've also got some air assault training coming up. These are the finest fighting men around, and everyone's staying sharp."



B Troop Soldiers load an 'injured pilot' into a medical evacuation helicopter.



After completing the MEDEVAC mission, troopers race to a waiting UH-60 Blackhawk.



Soldiers pull security as two suspected 'militants' emerge.



A Bravo Troop squad stacks up as they prepare to enter and clear a building Aug. 23.





Photos by Spc. Robert Adams

(Above) Spc. Edelberto Quinones, B Btry., 1/76 FA detains an Iraqi role player after their convoy was ambushed during 4th Brigade's Marne Focus at Camp Oliver Aug. 22.  
(Right) B. Btry., 1/76 FA Soldiers push a van off the road which blocked their path during a convoy escort mission Aug. 22.

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beginning to learn how it works."  
Every training scenario is different because an unlimited number of situations can occur on the battlefield.  
"It's like a football game in which you want to catch the ball as many times in practice as possible so that in the heat of the game you won't drop it," said Pvt. Arnold Santoyo, B Btry., 1/76 FA, artillery fire direction tactical technician.  
Phase four consists of four days of force on force training. This includes 1/76 FA Soldiers providing security against a 200-man opposing force posing as the enemy, as well as interacting with 60 Arab-Americans portraying as Iraqi nationals.  
"During this time we have to do two things," Pinnell said. "First we must perform military operations to suppress the insurgents and anti-Iraqi Forces, and secondly we must simultaneously engage the population, and determine what we can do to gain their support in both deflating the insurgency as well as gain intelligence that allows us to conduct focused attacks against hardcore elements."  
Since being activated June 24, the battalion has been conducting training while fielding new equipment and Soldiers every week.  
"The surge of new Soldiers is a challenge, though they are learning the training at a fast pace," Pinnell said.  
"Prior Operation Iraqi Freedom

Soldiers have been very helpful to new Soldiers by sharing their experiences and knowledge," Santoyo said. "It is important to them that we are trained because they want to be sure that we will be watching their backs over in Iraq."  
One mission that B Btry. Soldiers performed was a convoy escort mission in which they led an engineer platoon from one location to another safely.  
"It is our job to take care of whatever obstacles that might present themselves during the mission," said Lt. Joshua Carter, B Btry., 1/76 FA platoon leader. "While out on these missions our first priority is providing security for Soldiers as well as protecting any Iraqi civilians and non-combatants."  
Soldiers perform several missions during the day and night to build more confidence in their own skills and in each other.  
"We could train 100 times and the execution would be different every time, for no two situations are exactly the same," Santoyo said.  
In another mission, A Btry. Soldiers simulated a riot on an Iraqi town hall. During the mission Soldiers had to convoy out to the village, secure a perimeter, conduct crowd control, communicate with rioters through translators, react to a suicide bomber and disperse the crowd, as well as

provide medical aid and evacuation to injured Soldiers.  
After each mission, leaders and Soldiers perform an after action review to discuss what they could have improved on and what they want to sustain in future missions.  
"We are constantly learning new techniques and tactics after performing a mission that we will use to improve the next one," Carter said.  
The battalion is in a transition from conducting purely artillery tasks to a mixture of artillery and infantry tasks, and will focus primarily on infantry tasks at the squad and platoon level in future training.  
"After Marne Focus we will perform a small-arms range focused on urban combat to involve 'the Shoothouse', where Soldiers perform a live fire in a building and are evaluated," Pinnell said. "This will be followed by dismounted squad live fires and a deployment to the Joint Readiness Training Center where we will be able to train and certify Soldiers with significantly more resources at the platoon and battery levels."  
In the crawl-walk-run timeline Pinnell said, "Our Soldiers are at the crawl stage at the platoon level but they are quickly improving their skills and by the end of this field exercise I expect them to be entering the walk stage of proficiency."





VOICES AND VIEWPOINTS

Marne Six Sends

CFC provides opportunity to contribute

Maj. Gen. William G. Webster Jr.  
3rd Inf. Div. Commanding General

Soldiers and federal workers have always had a strong sense of making contributions to charitable organizations to help support their community and each other. The Combined Federal Campaign provides us with an excellent opportunity to make a charitable contribution to a wide variety of choices each year.

With everyone's help, this year's campaign will beat our contribution record set in campaign 2003 of \$377,000. If every one of us contributed just two dollars a month, we could surpass this record.

CFC as a fundraising

effort traces its history back as far as 1948. To underscore the importance of the program every President since President Kennedy has been involved in determining the shape and scope of the program.

The first true combined campaign was conducted as an experiment in six cities in 1964. The result was a substantial increase in contributions and highly favorable response from the work force. In 1971 all campaigns became combined and the payroll deduction was introduced. As you can imagine, the payroll deduction significantly increased the size of contributions by making it easier to participate.

The Marne team has a great community in Fort

Stewart and the Coastal Empire of South East Georgia. Our local

Federal employee team (military and civilian) from Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield has consistently increased its overall contributions during the last four years by an average percentage of a little more than 9 percent a year. 2004 can be another great year for our team.

I encourage you to participate by contributing what you can to organizations of your choice.

Many of us know of fellow Soldiers or civilians who have been significantly helped by organizations under the CFC umbrella. Some of those who have been helped are right here in our own team and community.

Without efforts like CFC we would be hard pressed to help our teammates who have been helped to the same degree with which they have been supported...our contributions do matter...and can impact someone we know.

Our team's goal in this campaign is \$378,000. Units will have a goal based on assigned personnel with a comparison of last year's contributions. Let's take on this annual challenge with the energy and enthusiasm that we attack every mission and in doing so I am confident that the Marne community team will exceed our goal.

Thanks for your support! Mission ... Soldiers ... Teamwork!

Marne Six Out.

Marne Voice

THE FRONTLINE

Readers respond to the question:

What are your tips for preparing for a hurricane?

"Be prepared. Have food, canned goods and water stocked up beforehand, and have an evacuation plan."

Sandy McNeal  
Family Member



"Make sure you have something sufficient to eat. Keep watch and get ready to run, and have an escape route in case you do have to leave."

Spc. Jim Shiver  
351st Postal Co. AG



"Get all important papers and picture albums together, and get flashlights and medicine. Make sure you have a full tank of gas and the basic items you need."

Barbara Hardeman  
Concessionaire



"Prioritize. Take care of your family, then make sure your house and belongings are secure. Board up windows, get candles, lights and batteries."

Pvt. David Grega  
D Co., 3/7 Inf.



"Have a practice drill. Make sure your family knows and has practiced the evacuation route. That way there's no confusion or getting lost."

Angela Knight  
Family Member



"Get ready. When all else fails, take a knee and drink water!"

Spc. Scott Harrison  
A Co., 4/61 Inf.



Hurricanes: how bad are they, really?

Spc. Emily J. Wilsoncroft  
Staff writer

Where I'm from, early September is about the time when the snow tires come out of the garage, the screens come off the doors, and the winter coats begin to appear.

The last thing on my mind, as a kid, was whether or not a giant rain- and windstorm would flood my house and knock it over.

We were more worried about a giant snowstorm dumping four feet of snow on the city and keeping us prisoners in the kitchen until Easter.

Now I'm in the South, and although I've been able to say goodbye to my winter garb, since here it only gets down to about 40 degrees in January (beach weather!), I've learned that just because it's warmer, that doesn't mean that nature's any kinder.

When I first heard — the term "hurricane evacuation," I thought of it as more of a concept, rather than an option for summer activities.

Even though Charley, Frances and Gaston didn't hit Savannah, I know now that I was naïve about the danger of hurricanes.

I'd like to issue this warning to any Northerners reading this who may have preconceived notions about the South and its weather issues:

STAY UP THERE! IT'S WAY, WAY, WORSE THAN WE THOUGHT.

Should a hurricane land in Savannah, my immediate reaction would certainly be to flee, but since that's what approximately all of the population will be doing, some might want to consider more con-

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structive alternatives. After a good night's sleep and a peanut butter sandwich, I came up with a few excellent ideas, and would like to offer them up for public consideration.

- Learn how to swim.
- Learn how to surf.
- Learn how to attract rescue vehicles.

•Learn how to fly.

Although these may seem obvious to more on-the-ball readers, there are some who — and I'm not mentioning any names — either might not have thought of them on their own, or might not have considered them as viable options.

Trust me, they are ... but do what you want; I'm already halfway to Canada.



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# VOTERS

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precious freedoms in America. If we don't vote, we are giving up that right as citizens of the United States and leaving it up to somebody else.”

Commanders and voting assistance officers will use this event as an opportunity to inform these U.S. citizens about obtaining an absentee ballot for remaining state primaries and the Nov. 2 general election. They will conduct final voting workshops and registration drives for all eligible personnel and their family members.

“During the week of September 3rd to 11th, we're going to set up booths over at the commissary and the Post Exchange to give you another opportunity for you and your families to register and vote,” Webster said. “So I urge you, get up, get off your backside, get over to the PX and commissary, go see your voting assistance officer, register to vote and request an absentee ballot.”

The voting assistance officers also will join together and enlist the help of other on base organizations, such as spouses clubs, family services, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and other groups to help get out the vote and coordinate voter outreach events.

During these events, commanders and voting assistance officers will emphasize the importance of registering to vote and requesting an absentee ballot.

“I can't order you to vote,” Webster said. “I would if I could, but I can't. So I'm asking you to get out there, find your voting assistance officer, and vote ... we have to have a say in this upcoming election.”

They will also use this opportunity to remind eligible personnel to return their voted ballots as soon as possible to allow sufficient transit time back to their local election official.

The support of commanders and voting assistance officers is critical to the success of the Federal Voting Assistance Program, which can be contacted through the DoD Voting Information Center.

Citizens may reach the VIC toll-free from 66 countries using the toll-free numbers listed on the FVAP website at <http://www.fvap.gov>.

In the U.S., call toll-free at 800-438-VOTE (8683), local 703-588-1584 or use DSN 425-1584.

Additionally, the FVAP can be reached via e-mail at [vote@fvap.ncr.gov](mailto:vote@fvap.ncr.gov).



## Lending a helping hand

Courtesy Photo

(Left to right) Master Sgt. Andrew Williams, Sergeant Audie Murphy Club chapter president with daughter, Staff Sgt. Jeanette Sutton, Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Carol Kipp Caldwell, Brittin Elementary School assistant principal and Staff Sgt. Lainnie Daley, NCOA. Operation Homework is a program sponsored by the Fort Stewart SAMC. It is a program designed to help needy children at the elementary level with schools supplies. The SAMC donated more than \$400 in school supplies to the ten elementary schools in the Hinesville area.

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Based on the surveys, they came up with a list of items Soldiers wanted and needed, said Maj. Ivan J. Quinones, 4th Brigade Logistics Officer.

“Some of my Soldiers field tested the socks and shirts and said they were very comfortable,” said Sgt. 1st Class Ruth Thomas, 4th Brigade Senior Human

Resources Sergeant. “Also the knee and elbow pads should come in handy when laying the prone position or doing a 3-5 second rush.”

According to Quinones, every Soldier in 3rd Infantry Division should receive items such as a pair of boots, goggles, elbow pads, and a hydration system. Brigades

will receive a standard set to improve lethality, optics, and force protection.

While Quinones did not know the total cost of the items issued to each Soldier, he did say the cost of issuing to each Brigade Combat Team (to include individual Soldier issue and bulk issue) is running approximately \$19.7 million.

# Historic Cottonbalers receive first monument

**Spc. Jimmy D. Lane Jr.**  
Staff Writer

Soldiers of the 7th Infantry Regiment held a ceremony Sunday in front of their battalion area to unveil a monument dedicated to the 7th Inf. Regt. and to receive an award from the Belgian government.

The 7th Inf. Regt. has a long proud history of service to the Army, and has never had any type of monument dedicated to them on American soil.

"It was amazing to me that the 7th stands number one on the Army's lists but still doesn't have a monument," said Lt. Col. David E. Funk, 3/7 Inf. commander. "This is a physical manifestation of the price paid by generations of Cottonbalers."

The 7th Inf. Reg. received the name Cottonbalers during the Battle of New Orleans, when they successfully held their position from behind a breastwork of cotton bales. The regiment proudly accepted the nickname Cottonbalers, and it was incorporated into the regimental coat of arms and the distinctive unit insignia.

"This memorial has truly been a labor of love," said Lt. Col. Todd R. Wood 3rd Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment commander. "Upon return from Operation Iraqi Freedom the leadership of the two battalions, 2nd and 3rd, made a decision that we needed a tangible symbol of recognition of the greatness of our Soldiers."

When the leadership pored over the history the two battalions made during Operation Iraqi Freedom, they realized that it was only a continuation of the proud tradition of the regiment that extends back nearly 200 years, Todd said.

"While we were very proud of our accomplishments and want to recognize and memorialize those events (during OIF), we did not want to leave out all the Cottonbalers before us had done," he continued. "So the idea of a memorial to all Cottonbalers was born. Everyone had a part to play in this event. All the money that was used (to build the monument) came from donations. This monument is here because of the contributions from individuals, family members, American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars posts, Moose Lodges, the 7th United States Infantry Living History Reenactors, Family Readiness Groups and battalion fund raisers and finally a generous contribution from the 7th Regimental Association, which allowed this event to occur."

"This is a visible focal point for Cottonbalers of the present and future," said Richard T. Rhoades, 7th Regt. Association. "It's a launching point for future adventures and operations."

Representatives of the Belgian military attended the ceremony and participated in the awarding of the Kingdom of Belgium Meritorious Unit Commendation.



Lt. Col. David E. Funk, 3/7 Inf. commander, and Richard T. Rhoades, 7th Inf. Regt. Association, unveil a monument dedicated to the 7th Inf. Regt. Sunday as Lt. Col. Todd Wood, 2/7 Inf. commander, looks on.

The ribbon was awarded for the actions of the 7th Inf. Regt. during the Korean War.

The Chinese communist forces launched a successful attack against the Belgian Luxembourg Battalion April 22, 1951, seizing Hill 257. This objective contained two 10-ton bridges that served as the supply line to the battalion.

By mid-morning, the 7th Inf. Regt. counterattacked the Chinese offensive in order to rescue the Belgians. The regiment led the Belgians across the Imjin River and into safe territory, and the Belgians were able to rejoin the fight.

The ribbon, which was added to the bat-

talion's colors, is the first ribbon ever awarded to a non-Belgian unit that participated in the Korean War.

"I am very proud and honored to participate in this ceremony," said Commandant Jan Abts, a foreign exchange officer from Belgium. There has always been a relationship of common friendship and mutual support. The 7th Infantry deserves our gratitude."

"I want to publicly thank all those involved in making this happen," Todd said. "I am proud to have been a small part of this endeavor, and more proud to serve as a Cottonbaler."

## Ins and outs of moving, applying for housing

**Special to The Frontline**  
GMH Office

GMH Military Housing strives for effectiveness in all aspects of its company. With this in mind, the GMH Community Management office has established an efficient system for family housing assignments. Those thinking of moving on-post should consider the following information during the application and assigning process.

Soldiers with families can apply for housing in a couple of ways, through the GMH website at [www.southernlivingchoice.com](http://www.southernlivingchoice.com)

or in person at the Community Management Office. In addition to the application, residents will need to bring a copy of their orders, a current leave and earning statement and an identification card. Once that information is gathered, the eligibility date will be determined.

The eligibility date is determined in one of several ways. If transferring from another post, it is the date of clearing the last duty station. If new to the Army and currently married, it is the date of joining the Army. If already in the Army and have recently gotten married, it is the marriage date.

There is a fourteen month credit given to those who have had an unaccompanied tour. This means that if one arrived here in August from an unaccompanied tour, the eligibility date is fourteen months earlier. Housing must be applied for within one month of arriving at Fort Stewart or Hunter Army Airfield. If applied later than that, the eligibility date is the date of the application.

Once the eligibility date has been determined, placement on the wait list will occur. It is the family size and rank that determines the category and size of house qualified for and it is the

eligibility date that determines the spot on the waiting list. It is vital to keep GMH updated with current phone numbers, as this is the only way GMH will be in contact when housing is available.

The wait list is updated every Monday morning. Status can be checked or phone numbers updated at any time. GMH cannot give the status on the wait list over the phone; one must go to the GMH Community Management office to check it.

Once a home is ready for move-in, an appointment will be made with the resident to show the home and sign the lease. At that

time, you will be required to pay the pro-rated rent for the first month. The allotment will start the following month.

In order to improve services to the Soldiers and their families please contact the GMH Community Management Office at (912)408-2460 on Fort Stewart or (912)459-2140 on Hunter Army Airfield. If there is a question a resident would like answered in the next article, contact Kelly Pack, Outreach Coordinator at (912)408-2497. GMH Military Housing is dedicated to quality service as we strive to improve the quality of life for Soldiers and their families.



# Labor Day Hours of Operation

## Fort Stewart

Main Store	10 a.m.–6 p.m.
Furniture Store	10 a.m.–6 p.m.
Hospital PX	Closed
National Guard PX	Closed
Main Shoppette/Class Six	9 a.m.–9 p.m.
Bryan Village Shoppette	9 a.m.–9 p.m.
Brigade Troop Store	Close 9 p.m.-Sept. 5 Open 11 a.m.-Sept. 6
Victory Shoppette	24 Hours
Blimpie	Noon-6 p.m.
Anthony's Pizza	Noon-9 p.m.
Robin Hood	10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
Burger King	10 a.m.–8 p.m.
Popeye's	10 a.m.–9 p.m.
Mall Food Court	10 a.m.–6 p.m.
Mall Anthony's	10 a.m.–6 p.m.
Cinnabon/SBC	9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
Charley's Steakery	10 a.m.–6 p.m.
Taco John's	10 a.m.–6 p.m.
BBQ Stand	Closed
Hot Dog Stand	Closed
Car Care Center	Closed
Military Clothing Sales	Closed
Woodruff Theater	7 pm Showing

## Fort Stewart Concessions

Kiosks	10 a.m.–4 p.m.
Barber Shop	10 a.m.–4 p.m.
Beauty Shop	Closed
Simply Perfect Nail Salon	Closed
Gifts Galore	10 a.m.–4 p.m.
Petals & Blooms	10 a.m.–4 p.m.
Stripes, The Alteration Place	10 a.m.–4 p.m.
Cleaners, Bldg. 71	10 a.m.–4 p.m.
Optical Shop	10 a.m.–4 p.m.
General Nutrition Center	10 a.m.–4 p.m.
My Force Apparel	10 a.m.–4 p.m.
Urban Wear	10 a.m.–4 p.m.
John's Specialty Shop	10 a.m.–4 p.m.
Shoe Shine	Closed
Alltel Wireless	Closed
MCC Phone Center	Closed
Brigade Barber Shop	Closed
Laundry/Dry Cleaners, Bldg. 706-A	Closed
Alterations	Closed
Sprint Barracks Phone	Closed
Alterations	Closed
Economic Car Rental	Closed
E L Car Wash/Detail	Closed
MCC	10 a.m.–10 p.m.
Sprint Barracks Phone Center	Closed

Barber Shop, Bldg. 706-A	Closed
Cutrina's Creative Crafts	Closed
New To You, Bldg. 419	Closed
Shoe/Boot Shine, Bldg. 419	Closed
Barber Shop, Bldg. 419	Closed

## Hunter Army Airfield

Main Store	10 a.m.–4 p.m.
Hunter Corner Express	9 a.m.–9 p.m.
Military Clothing Sales	10 a.m.–4 p.m.
Burger King	Closed
Hunter Concessions	
Short Term Concessions	11 a.m.–4 p.m.
Flower Shop	Closed
Laundry/Dry Cleaners	11 a.m.–4 p.m.
Alterations	Closed
Beauty Shop	Closed
Barber Shop	11 a.m.–4 p.m.
Optical Shop	Closed
Economic Car Rental	Closed
C's Boot Shine	Closed
Sprint Barracks Phone	Closed

# 6th ROTC Bde. s command changes hands

Steve Hart  
Public Affairs Officer, Hunter AAF

After four years of distinguished command, Col. Scott L. Armbrister handed the reigns of the 6th Brigade, Eastern Region, U.S. Army Cadet Command, to incoming commander Col. James E. Knauff in a ceremony full of military pageantry at Hunter Army Airfield Aug. 25.

The 6th ROTC Bde.'s mission is to recruit, retain, train and commission Army ROTC cadets to become the future commissioned officer leadership of the Army and to motivate high school

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"I am thankful that under the leadership of (Col.) Scott Armbrister, the 6th Brigade has been the standard bearer for the Command in production, quality and innovation for a very long time," said Col. Robert J. Frusha, commander, Eastern Region, who served as reviewing officer.

During Armbrister's tenure as commander, the 6th ROTC Bde. has commissioned more than 440 officers; surpassing their assigned mission of 333 commissions.

"No other brigade, and certainly no other brigade commander, past or present, can put your accomplishments on their resume," Frusha said.

The ROTC Bde. is responsible for 4,000 senior cadets in 22 colleges and

universities and 40,000 junior cadets in high schools in Georgia, Florida, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

An emotional Armbrister said the conclusion of his tenure as brigade commander is bittersweet for him.

"I am sad to leave, but thrilled to have had the opportunity to serve with the outstanding people and folks I've been around," Armbrister remarked from the podium to his Soldiers and staff in formation on the parade field and his many family and friends in the audience.

Armbrister expressed a sense of pride over his brigade's accomplishments and contributions to the Nation.

"We certainly accomplished the mission by t h e number a n d quality

of leaders we put in the force who are now serving in Iraq and Afghanistan with distinction," Armbrister said with profound pride. "ROTC has been a special assignment for me and a very rewarding job. We assure the future of our Army and our Nation ... and that's really important."

Knauff kept his remarks brief and to the point.

"I am honored to be taking command of this brigade; it is a dream come true," he said. "Developing leaders and commissioning lieutenants is a wartime mission, and we approach it that way."

Following 30 years of service to his Nation, Armbrister intends to retire from the Army and remain in the Savannah area.



Steve Hart

Col. Scott L. Armbrister, 6th ROTC Bde. outgoing commander, hands the brigade colors to Col. Robert J. Frusha, commander, Eastern Region, U.S. Army Cadet Command, in a change of command ceremony for the 6th ROTC Bde. at Hunter August 25. Frusha later passed the unit colors to incoming commander, Col. James E. Knauff, incoming commander, to signify the unit's change of command.



## 3ID IN BRIEF

### Stewart

#### Pot of Gold Ceremony

The ceremony is Tuesday, from 1 to 2 p.m. at Club Stewart.

#### STOMP

Specialized Training of Military Parents is Sept. 15 and 16 , 8:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Club Stewart. This training is sponsored by ACS and the Exceptional Family Member Program. Free childcare and lunch is provided both days. Registration begins at 8 a.m. For more information call Laura Arisohn at 767-3032.

#### Spouse to Teacher Program

This briefing is sponsored by GA State Troops to Teacher in Bldg. 130, Sept. 22, noon to 1 p.m. For more information call 767-8331.

#### 9/11 Ceremony

Brittin Elementary School is hosting this event on Sept. 10, in front of the school from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. For more information call Principal Noel Tillman at 368-7516/14.

#### International Day

ACS is hosting “We Are The World” Monday, Sept. 20, 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Club Stewart. Admission is free and open to the general public. Come and

celebrate with exhibitions, music, entertainment, food fair, arts and crafts from countries all around the world. For more information call 767-5058.

#### FEGLI

Federal Group Life Insurance has open season through the month of Sept. Questions and answers related to eligibility and the open season can be viewed at [www.opm.gov/asd/htm/2004/04-203.asp](http://www.opm.gov/asd/htm/2004/04-203.asp)

#### Spend \$1,000,000

Stewart and Hunter are the 2004 winners of Army Communities of Excellence Award. The posts received a formal recognition ceremony at the Pentagon, a trophy, an ACOE Flag and **ONE MILLION DOLLARS** to spend. The garrison commander needs help in deciding how to spend this money.

You can submit your suggestions several ways:

- Mail them to Chief of PAI Office 190 Stockton Circle (Bldg. T-25) Fort Stewart, Ga. 31314
- Call 767-6228
- E-mail the PAI Office through ICE System. Go to <http://ice.disa.mil>

### Hunter

#### Spouses Club

Hunter Spouses Club September Luncheon and Membership Drive is Sept. 14, 11a.m. to 1 p.m. at Hunter Community Club. Spouses of active duty military, retired military and DA Civilians should plan to attend the September luncheon and membership drive featuring "Hollywood Ron's Savannah Movie Tours". Come meet other spouses and discover some of the exciting programs we have planned for the upcoming year. . Cost \$12 per year. Lunch is \$10 a person.

#### Pot of Gold Ceremony

The ceremony is Wednesday, from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at ACS, Bldg. 1286

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#### Recycle your computer

Recycle your computer, television and other technology hardware for free. Office Depot Stores will accept televisions, computers, peripherals, and other electronic equipment for recycling during regular store hours through Sept. 6 at all stores in the continental U.S. There is no charge for the program. There is a limit of one computer system (PC, monitor, keyboard, mouse) or one product (such as PDA or cell phone) per customer per day. For program details go to [www.officedepot.com/recycle](http://www.officedepot.com/recycle).

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### Winn /Tuttle

#### ER Remodel

The Emergency Department will have minor disruption of services and space for remodeling. All emergencies and urgent care patients should still report to the ER.

Non-emergency patients are encouraged to schedule appointments with their primary care manager. Appointments, including same-day appointments, may be scheduled by calling 370-6633.

#### Full Service PX Pharmacy

The full service Satellite PX Pharmacy is open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

#### Free Screenings

Cholesterol screenings will be available 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sept. 14 in the main lobby at Winn. Cholesterol and blood pressure screenings will be available 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 17 at the PX.

#### Update DEERS

Beneficiaries must keep their DEERS information up-to-date or they may not be able to receive referrals, schedule appointments or access TRICARE Online. Winn and Tuttle use DEERS information to contact you regarding referrals and appointments. DEERS informa-

tion can be updated by calling 1-800-538-9552, visiting [www.tricare.osd.mil/deers/default.cfm](http://www.tricare.osd.mil/deers/default.cfm) or stopping by Bldg. 1209.

#### EDIS

Educational and Development Intervention Services is now located next to the main pharmacy in Winn. Military families with children up to 3 years old who may be at risk for developmental delays can call EDIS for a free screening.

For more information, call 370-6349.

#### TRICARE Phone Numbers

For general health care information, you can call th Humana Military Audio Library at 1-877-217-7946. If you have questions about TRICARE, you can call TRICARE at 1-800-444-5445 or the Health Benefits Office at 370-6633 or 1-800-652-9221.

#### Interested in volunteering

Volunteers are always welcome and needed to help in general administrative and clinical areas. For more information about becoming a volunteer at Winn, call Brigitte Roberts at 370-6903 or send an email to [Brigitte.Roberts@se.amedd.army.mil](mailto:Brigitte.Roberts@se.amedd.army.mil)

## Marne TV

### September 2004 Schedule

Marne TV can be found on Comcast Cable Channel 16 every weekday. Tune in to the Marne Report six times a day for the latest from Stewart and Hunter.

5 a.m.	.....Army Newswatch
5:30 a.m.	..... <b>MARNE REPORT</b>
6:30 a.m.	.....Air Force News
7 a.m.	.....Navy News
7:30 a.m.	.....Army Newswatch
8 a.m.	..... <b>MARNE REPORT</b>
9 a.m.	.....Air Force News
9:30 a.m.	.....Navy News
11:30 a.m.	.....Army Newswatch
Noon	..... <b>MARNE REPORT</b>
1 p.m.	.....Air Force News
4:30 p.m.	.....Navy News
5 p.m.	..... <b>MARNE REPORT</b>
6 p.m.	.....Army Newswatch
6:30 p.m.	.....Air Force News
7 p.m.	.....Navy News
10 p.m.	..... <b>MARNE REPORT</b>
11 p.m.	.....Army Newswatch
Midnight	..... <b>MARNE REPORT</b>



# POLICE REPORTS

- **Subject:** Sergeant, 24-year-old male, 1st Bde.
- **Charge:** Simple battery
- **Location:** Pembroke
- **Subject:** Private 1st Class, 21-year-old male, 2nd Bde.
- **Charge:** Wrongful possession of marijuana
- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Specialist, 41-year-old male, separate battalion
- **Charge:** Wrongful use of cocaine
- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Private 2, 21-year-old male, separate battalion
- **Charge:** Wrongful use of marijuana
- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Specialist, 27-year-old male, separate battalion
- **Charge:** Wrongful use of marijuana
- **Location:** Macon
- **Subject:** Specialist, 25-year-old male, 1st Bde.
- **Charge:** Wrongful use of marijuana
- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Specialist, 24-year-old male, separate battalion
- **Charge:** Wrongful use of marijuana
- **Location:** Gulfport, Miss.
- **Subject:** Private, 19-year-old male, 2nd Bde.
- **Charge:** Fleeing the scene of an accident
- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Private, 24-year-old male, 2nd Bde.
- **Charge:** Wrongful use of cocaine
- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Specialist, 27-year-old male, Fires Bde.
- **Charges:** Wrongful possession of marijuana, wrongful use of marijuana
- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Private 2, 20-year-old male, 1st Bde.
- **Charges:** Communicating a threat, wrongful possession of marijuana, wrongful use of marijuana
- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Private 1st Class, 20-year-old male, 2nd Bde.
- **Charges:** Driving while license suspended, failure to obey traffic control device
- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Specialist, 24-year-old male, 2nd Bde.
- **Charge:** Driving under the influence
- **Location:** Hinesville



- **Subject:** Private 1st Class, 28-year-old male, 1st Bde.
- **Charge:** Wrongful use of cocaine
- **Location:** Hunter
- **Subject:** Specialist, 23-year-old male, 2nd Bde.
- **Charge:** Wrongful use of marijuana
- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Civilian, 25-year-old male
- **Charges:** False official statement, wrongful possession of marijuana
- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Specialist, 22-year-old male, 2nd Bde.
- **Charge:** Wrongful use of cocaine
- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Civilian, 38-year-old female,
- **Charge:** Improper backing
- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Specialist, 21-year-old male, 1st Bde.
- **Charges:** Insubordinate conduct towards a warrant officer, wrongful possession of marijuana
- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Specialist, 23-year-old male, 2nd Bde.
- **Charges:** False official statement, failure to obey regulation, wrongful use of marijuana, wrongful possession of marijuana
- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Private 1st Class, 19-year-old male, 2nd Bde.
- **Charges:** Wrongful use of cocaine, wrongful possession of marijuana, wrongful use of prescription medication
- **Location:** Knoxville, Tenn.
- **Subject:** Specialist, 28-year-old male, 1st Bde.
- **Charges:** False official statement, wrongful use of marijuana
- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Specialist, 29-year-old male, 1st Bde.
- **Charges:** Driving while license cancelled, no insurance, operating vehicle without valid tag, speeding 42/25
- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Specialist, 21-year-old male, 1st Bde.
- **Charges:** Driving under the influence, driving while license suspended, loud music
- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Specialist, 26-year-old female, Div. Sup. Bde.
- **Charge:** Improper supervision of pet
- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Private, 27-year-old female, 2nd. Bde.
- **Charges:** Assault consummate with a battery, breach of peace
- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Private 2, 19-year-old female, 2nd. Bde.
- **Charge:** Wrongful use of cocaine
- **Location:** Albany, N.Y.
- **Subject:** Specialist, 21-year-old female, separate battalion
- **Charges:** Larceny of U.S. mail, wrongful opening of U.S. mail, larceny of private property
- **Location:** Hinesville
- **Subject:** Private 1st Class, 20-year-old male, 1st Bde.
- **Charges:** Assault with a dangerous weapon, underage drinking
- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Sergeant, 28-year-old male, 3 separate battalion
- **Charges:** Criminal trespass, interfer-

- ing with 911 call, reckless conduct, cruelty to children
- **Location:** Hinesville
- **Subject:** Specialist, 20-year-old male, Div. Sup. Bde.
- **Charges:** Larceny of government funds, fraud, false official statement, conspiracy
- **Location:** Hunter
- **Subject:** Private, 19-year-old male, separate battalion
- **Charges:** Simple battery, obstructing or hindering law enforcement officers, disorderly conduct, failure to obey lawful order, disrespecting a non-commissioned officer
- **Location:** Savannah
- **Subject:** Private 1st Class, 19-year-old male, 1st Bde.
- **Charges:** Public intoxication, indecent exposure, underage drinking
- **Location:** Ludowici
- **Subject:** Specialist, 22-year-old male, 2nd Bde.
- **Charges:** Driving under the influence, reckless driving, failure to dim headlights
- **Location:** Effingham
- **Subject:** Specialist, 20-year-old male, Div. Sup. Bde.
- **Charge:** Wrongful making, altering or tampering with military identification card
- **Location:** Savannah
- **Subject:** Specialist, 23-year-old male, 2nd Bde.
- **Charge:** Disorderly conduct
- **Location:** Tybee Island
- **Subject:** Private 1st Class, 21-year-old female, 4th Bde.
- **Charges:** Disorderly conduct, obstructing or hindering law enforcement office
- **Location:** Savannah
- **Subject:** Private 1st Class, 20-year-old female, 1st Bde.
- **Charges:** Failure to obey order or regulation, possession of alcoholic beverages by persons under 21, furnishing alcoholic beverage to underage persons, drunk and disorderly conduct, disrespect to a commissioned officer, disrespect to a non-commissioned officer, failure to obey order or regulation, communicating a threat
- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Private 1st Class, 30-year-old female, Avn. Bde.
- **Charges:** Fleeing or attempting to elude police officer, speeding, turning signals required on turns
- **Location:** Savannah



# K-9 unit ready to assist with health and welfare

Capt. Kevin R. Pugh

3rd MP Battalion

The 179th Military Police Detachment K-9 Section would like to offer assistance to the 3rd Infantry Division and supporting units to reduce the presence of illegal drugs and weapons in unit and barracks areas. This can be accomplished through unit health and welfare and vehicle inspections.

The health and welfare inspection is an effective tool used in improving unit readiness. It is a command-directed responsibility used to inspect and examine parts of a unit, organization, living quarters, and vehicles. These inspections may include checks to ensure areas are free of unlawful weapons or contraband, ammunition, pyrotechnics, fireworks, as well as controlled substances.

Most unit commanders may not be aware of the assistance military working dogs can provide. Therefore it is recommended that unit commanders use the assistance of military working dogs to their benefit.



Together, the possibilities of drug abuse, contraband, and illegal weapons can be greatly reduced to ensure the safety of military personnel, their family members, and civilians, who may enter military areas for work, business, or recreation. The military working dogs are a valuable asset in assisting with such inspections. They are specially trained in explosives and narcotics detection providing a valuable service to detect and seize illegal contraband.

Unit Commanders can arrange a health and welfare or vehicle inspection by calling Sgt. 1st Class Church the Fort Stewart Provost Marshal's Office Operations Sergeant at 767-7540 or sending an email to [michael.church@stewart.army.mil](mailto:michael.church@stewart.army.mil).

It is requested that unit commanders plan out at least two weeks in advance and also have the following information:

- A written memorandum requesting the inspection
- Unit
- Date requested
- Time requested
- Building number / parking lot
- Number of rooms / vehicles
- Commander's name, phone number, and Commander's building number.

This information will be kept confidential. We look forward to assisting you and your units, protecting our Soldiers and family members, as well as continuing our service to the community.

## —ASK THE JUDGE—

### Preparation for Deployment

Capt. Jacob Lilly

Special to The Frontline

***Q: I've noticed some ask-the-judge articles lately about different aspects of getting legally ready for deployment. What is legal assistance doing in order to help Soldiers prepare to deploy?***

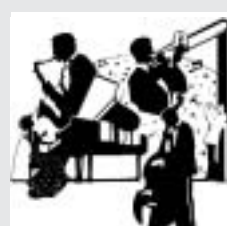
**A:** In light of the upcoming deployment, the legal assistance office is prepared to assist Soldiers with their legal concerns in various ways. First, every Soldier will process through the Soldier Readiness Center which will ensure that those Soldiers are legally deployable. The SRC will have a full range of legal services available to Soldiers including the ability to do affidavits, powers of attorneys, notaries, and wills. However, the SRC should be viewed as the last stop on the legal chain and not a place to think about the legal issues involved in deploying for the first time.

Deploying Soldiers should already be considering legal issues which may arise while they are gone. The traditional subjects such as does a Soldier need a will and who to give a power to attorney to must be addressed first. For answers to these questions, consult previous Ask The Judge articles or your local legal assistance attorney. Beyond those areas, Soldiers should carefully consider the tasks that they normally accomplish and make sure that those tasks can still be accomplished by the persons left behind. Beyond that, Soldiers should consider whether they have any

special legal issues, like a possible lawsuit (including paternity suits and divorce suits) that may occur while they are deployed, child support/ custody issues, and any unresolved economic problems.

Once a Soldier has considered his or her possible legal issues, they have a couple of options for taking care of those issues. First, each battalion is currently scheduling a family readiness group briefing that LAO attorneys will be present at and will brief spouses on possible legal issues and help with powers of attorneys. While there will be LAO attorneys at each of the FRG's, they will not be able to provide the individual counseling necessary for many legal problems. If a Soldier has unresolved legal issues with which they need assistance, they should schedule an appointment for legal assistance as soon as possible. Remember, the closer the division gets to deploying, the more work LAO attorneys have and the longer it could take to get an appointment. Schedule early! An appointment is **not** necessary to get a power of attorney or a Form 941 - the car tax form. These can be executed at LAO at any time during our operating hours of 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, 1 to 3 p.m. on Thursday, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Fridays. Note that Legal Assistance is open during lunch every day except Thursday for powers of attorneys and Form 941s.

If you have any questions please contact Legal Assistance at 767-8809.



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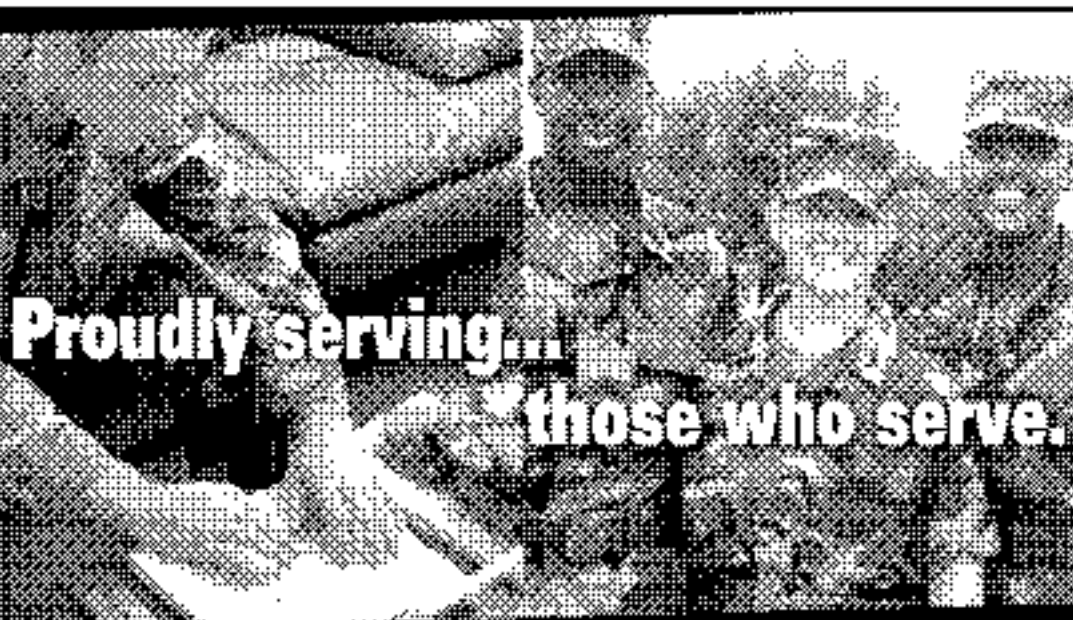
**Male and female vocalists are needed. Soldiers must be able to sing in Spanish. For more information contact Staff Sgt. Knight, LATIN FIRE!, NCOIC at 767-2207/5441 or email [KNIGHTTP@STEWART.ARMY.MIL](mailto:KNIGHTTP@STEWART.ARMY.MIL)**

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# CENTCOM News

## Coalition special operations forces conduct raid, kill enemy leader

BAGRAM AIRFIELD — Coalition Special Operations Forces and Afghan military forces raided an anti-coalition compound and killed a senior enemy leader in a mission Friday in Zabul Province, Afghanistan.

During the well-planned strike mission, an enemy regional leader, known as Rozi Khan, was killed after he opened fire during the surprise strike.

Coalition SOF and Afghan military forces conducted a cordon and search mission after receiving intelligence reports of Taliban activity in the Zabul Province area. Coalition forces engaged about 23 guerillas during an approximately hour-long firefight.

Khan is allegedly responsible for numerous attacks on coalition forces, laying of mines, kidnapping of non-governmental organization and road workers, and recruiting of enemy insurgents. Khan was found with large sums of money, including nearly \$10,000 in U.S. dollars and Pakistan rupees, an AK-47 assault rifle, six magazines of ammunition and a pistol.

"Khan posed a serious threat to the security of Afghanistan," said a Coalition official involved in the planning of the operation.

There were no Coalition casualties resulting in the firefight. About 22 insurgents were captured and two were held for questioning.

## Iraqi police and multinational forces foil roadside bomb attacks

MOSUL, Iraq — Iraqi Police and Multinational Forces from the 3rd Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division (Stryker Brigade Combat Team) foiled four roadside bomb attacks Monday in northern Iraq.

Iraqi Police foiled three roadside bomb attacks, two in the neighborhood of Al

Thubat and one in the neighborhood of Al Noor, when they noticed suspicious items lying near the side of roads. Two of the devices consisted of a 122mm artillery round connected to a timer. In all three instances, the Iraqi Explosive Ordnance Disposal team successfully reduced the devices.

Soldiers from 3rd Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment also foiled a roadside bomb attack 35 kilometers south of Mosul when they noticed wires protruding from the top of an object near the side of the road. The patrol cordoned off the area and reduced the device. No injuries were reported.

Multinational Forces from Task Force Olympia continue to work together with members of Iraqi Security Forces, leaders and citizens of Iraq to make it a safe, prosperous, and democratic nation.

## Iraqi border patrol receives night vision goggles and new vehicles

MOSUL, Iraq — Members of the Iraqi Border Patrol Battalion in Diyanah, Iraq, received 25 sets of night vision goggles and 10 Jeep Libertys Saturday from Multinational Forces.

The night vision goggles were purchased by Task Force Olympia with funds from the Commander's Emergency Response Program and cost approximately \$101,000. The goggles will be used to assist the IBP in conducting night patrols to capture smugglers near the border.

The vehicles were donated by Multinational Corps-Iraq so the IBP

Soldiers will have enough vehicles to conduct multiple missions at the same time.

"These vehicles will make our jobs easier and allow us to prevent smugglers from crossing the border," said Lt. Karim, the IBP logistics officer.

Until now, the companies only had enough vehicles to conduct one mission at a time.

"This new equipment will allow the IBP to be more effective," said Capt. Aaron Baugher, a Multinational Forces commander who works closely with the IBP. "They will be able to conduct more patrols at night, when smugglers are most active."

Iraqi government officials have long recognized the border of Iraq as an entry point for terrorists, weapons and money coming into the country.

The donation of this equipment is important to putting a stop to illegal activities. The Iraqi Border Patrol continues to work to secure the borders of Iraq and to prevent terrorists and smugglers from crossing into the country illegally.

## Multinational force Iraq media update Aug. 31

BAGHDAD — Throughout Iraq, Multinational Forces are working to transfer responsibility to the Iraqi National Guard, border police and Iraqi police. Iraqi National Guard units are continuing to operate independently, providing additional security throughout Iraq.

MNF-I efforts continue to focus on supporting IIG restoration of basic utility services in Najaf as well as other reconstruc-

tion efforts. As part of this support, MNF-I has focused its support with civil-military teams to work with Iraqi forces and local government. MNF-I Explosive Ordnance Disposal teams also cleared and destroyed 44 IEDs in the last 48 hours in Najaf.

MNF continue to conduct patrols in order to deny anti-Iraqi forces the terrain and sanctuary they use to conduct attacks against Iraqis and the coalition forces.

In north-central Iraq, a newly graduated class of Iraqi National Guardsmen will participate in joint patrols with the 1/4 CAV.

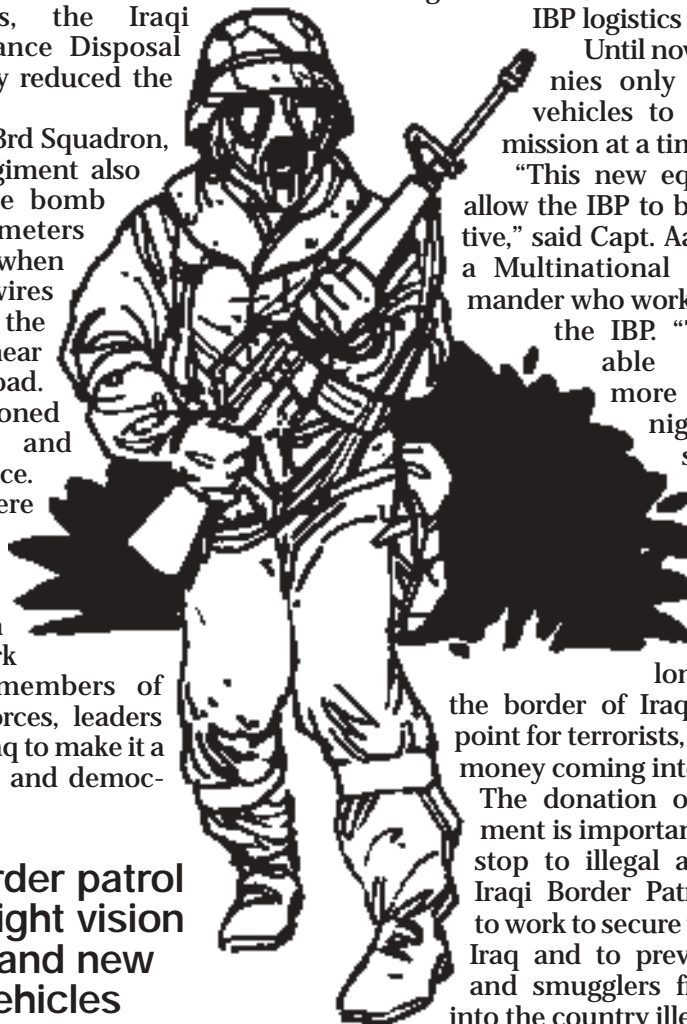
The 1st Cavalry Division reported indirect fire attack in Baghdad about 8:36 a.m. today. There were no reported damages, no injuries.

In Al Amarah, there were four separate mortar attacks this morning at approximately 9 a.m. Eight rounds were fired in total, all impacting outside the coalition base. There were no injuries reported.

Humanitarian Assistance Support: Since March 2004, the Humanitarian Operations Center in Kuwait has coordinated the movement of \$34.5 million dollars in humanitarian donations from and through Kuwait to all Multi-National Divisions in Iraq. Donations were distributed to Iraqi Ministries, hospitals, medical clinics, schools, orphanages, NGOs, and Iraqi citizens.

Opening of Karadah Youth Center: The 478th Civil Affairs Battalion planned and obtained funding from USAID for an educational and recreational youth center in Karadah that will offer computer instruction classes, internet access and a neighborhood library, after it opens on Saturday, to educate over 2,400 Baghdad youths per week.

An Najaf Teaching Hospital: Rehabilitation of the An Najaf Teaching Hospital began on Saturday by an Iraqi contractor hired by the Project Contracting Office. The Iraqi National Guard will maintain security until that responsibility is assumed by the Ministry of Health Facility Protection Service. The initial work is projected to be completed, with the hospital ready to be reopened, by Sept. 21.





# Living the Army Values



Sgt. Roy F. Dabreo

## Division Food Service NCO and Food Service Specialist of the Quarter

1st Place: Noncommissioned Officer

**NAME:** Dabreo, Roy F.

**RANK:** Sergeant

**UNIT:** HHC, 1/3 AVN

**WORK PLACE:** Aviation Dining Facility



Pfc. Eric McClintic

1st Place: Specialist and Below

**NAME:** McClintic, Eric

**RANK:** Private 1st Class

**UNIT:** F Co., 4/64 AR

**WORK PLACE:**Fire Bde. Dining facility

## Units need to verify personnel driver s license, insurance, registration, Post Decal prior to weekend

Lt. Col. Samuel P. Mansberger III

Provost Marshal

All units will verify the following information during the Labor Day weekend safety inspections.

**Driver's License:** The driver's license review determines if the soldier has a valid or invalid driver's license. Many states provide an automatic extension of driver's license if the licensee is in the armed forces, however, nineteen States or Territories do not. A complete listing of all State and Territories is attached. If the soldier does

not have a valid driver's license, then he/she may not operate a Privately Owned Vehicle on the installation. A copy of the post revocation/suspension has been provided via email, to each MSC and Separate Commander, allowing the commander to determine if his/her soldiers' Installation Driving Privileges are revoked or suspended.

**Post Decals:** Per CG Policy Letter # 34-11, all vehicles must be registered on the installation and display a valid DD Form 2220 (decal). Commanders will determine if the soldier has all paperwork necessary for a

post decal (valid license, insurance and registration). If the soldier has no decal, the soldier will report to the Installation Vehicle Registration Office to register his vehicle and obtain decal.

Soldiers operating motorcycles must have the same items indicated above to receive a post decal. In addition, military personnel, civilian employees, and family members must provide a valid certificate for completion of a defensive driving motorcycle safety course.

If the commander identifies a problem with a soldier's driver license, the commander

may submit a memorandum via mail to the Director of Emergency Services, ATTN: Police Services Section, 273 Hunt Circle, FT Stewart, GA 31314, for assistance in identifying whether or not the soldier has a valid driver's license.

The memorandum must contain the soldier's name, unit, and date of birth, race, and sex. The Police Services Section will conduct a review of local police files to determine if the soldier's driver's license has been suspended.

For more information call (912) 767-8427 or DSN 870-8427.